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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Agency Information Collection Activities:

Proposed collection; comments requested:

Federal Coal Lease Request

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection under Review:

The Department of Justice (DOJ), Antitrust Division (ATR), will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for "sixty days" until [insert the 60 days from the date this notice is published in the Federal Register]. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR §1320.10.

If you have comments (especially regarding the estimated public burden or associated response time), suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Jill Ptacek, Antitrust Division, United States Department of Justice, 450 5th Street, NW, Suite 8000, Washington, D.C. 20530.

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Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

- (2) Title of the Form/Collection: Federal Coal Lease Reserves.
- (3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form Numbers: ATR-139 and ATR-140, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Business or other for Profit. Other: None. The Department of Justice evaluates the competitive impact of issuances, transfers and exchanges of federal coal leases. These forms seek information regarding a prospective coal lessee's existing coal reserves. The Department uses this information to determine whether the issuance, transfer or exchange of the federal coal lease is consistent with the antitrust laws.
- (5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond. It is estimated that 20 respondents will complete each form, with each response taking approximately two hours.
- (6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:

 There are an estimated 40 annual burden hours associated with this collection, in total.

If additional information is required contact: Jerri Murray, Department Clearance Officer,
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